

2014

Indiana CLEO Fellowship Application



Application must be received by
February 14, 2014.

<http://courts.in.gov/cleo>

Mail Completed Application to:

Indiana CLEO

30 S. Meridian St., Ste. 500

Indianapolis, Indiana 46204



INDIANA SUPREME COURT
INDIANA CONFERENCE FOR LEGAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY
2014 FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

"The Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity is established to assist Indiana minority, low-income, or educationally disadvantaged college graduates in pursuing a law degree and a career in the Indiana legal and professional community."

Indiana Code 33-24-13-2

History

The Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity (ICLEO) was established at the urging of former Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard by the Indiana General Assembly. In 1997, Governor Frank O'Bannon signed the law giving funding to CLEO (see I.C. 33-24-13). ICLEO's purpose then and now is to assist Indiana minority, low income, or educationally disadvantaged college graduates in pursuing a law degree and a career in the Indiana legal community.

The ICLEO Summer Institute is held annually to introduce new ICLEO Fellows to the program. In 1997, 30 students enrolled in the first ICLEO institute at Indiana University in Bloomington and 25 students went on to graduate from law school, representing all of Indiana's law schools. Since 1997, over 450 students have successfully completed the Summer Institute.

Eligibility

- Minority Students,
- Low-Income Students, and
- First Generation College or Limited English Proficiency Students

WHO ARE ALSO

- Indiana Residents,
- Indiana College Graduates,
- Indiana High School Graduates (within 5 years) attending college out of state, or
- Out of State Students Recommended by an Indiana Law School Admissions Officer.

Summer Institute

June 15, 2014 – July 25, 2014
Valparaiso School of Law | Valparaiso, Indiana

Applicants selected for the program must be in-residence for six weeks at the Summer Institute site (Valparaiso School of Law). The Summer Institute is an intense, residential preparatory experience designed to help students excel at law school. Participants are immersed in first year law school curriculum and skills courses designed to closely simulate the law school experience. Participants not only receive support and assistance from faculty, but from teaching assistants who are ICLEO Fellows and have also successfully completed the Summer Institute experience. **In order to maintain the rigor of the program, participants are not permitted to work during the Summer Institute and must reside in provided housing. There is no cost to participate for selected students.**

Annual Stipend

Students who successfully complete the Summer Institute and become certified graduates of the program are eligible for an annual stipend. Stipends may be awarded for up to three successive academic years if the student remains eligible. The annual stipend currently is \$6,500 for IU Maurer & IU McKinney (public) and \$9,000 for Valparaiso & Notre Dame (private).



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FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

TO APPLY TO THE ICLEO FELLOWSHIP:

- ◆ You must be planning to enter law school in **Fall 2014**.
- ◆ Carefully read and follow the instructions throughout the entire application.
- ◆ Attach all required documents.
- ◆ Sign and date the application. Keep a copy of your completed application and attachments for your records.
- ◆ **DO NOT STAPLE APPLICATION MATERIALS.**
- ◆ **DO NOT SUBMIT FOLDERS, BINDERS, or REPORT COVERS.**
- ◆ **LATE or INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.**
- ◆ You must submit **THREE** copies of your application and attachments (original plus two copies).

CHECKLIST

Before submitting your application, please be sure all required materials are included.

You must submit **THREE** copies of your application and attachments (original plus two copies).

Use only a single paper clip or binder clip for each copy set. DO NOT STAPLE, or use BINDERS, REPORT COVERS, OR FOLDERS.

Only include required materials. All other materials will be discarded.

- _____ Application (pages 4-9 only)
- _____ Resume
- _____ Law School Application Personal Statement
- _____ ICLEO Essay
- _____ Federal Student Aid Report
- _____ Two Letters of Recommendation (may be mailed separately)

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APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE INDIANA CONFERENCE FOR LEGAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM SUMMER 2014

Please print or type all information on this application.

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

☐ Female ☐ Male

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| Last Name | First Name | Middle |
| Permanent Mailing Address | P.O. Box or Apt. No. | City, State, Zip Code |
| | | () |
| State of Residency/Number of Years | Permanent Email Address | Phone |
| Birth Date mm/dd/yyyy | Place of Birth (City, State) | |
| Are you a U.S. citizen? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | |
| If no, are you a permanent resident? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Country /Visa Type: |

II. ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

RACE/ETHNICITY

☐ White (Non-Hispanic) ☐ Black or African American ☐ Asian ☐ Hispanic
☐ Native American or Alaska Native ☐ Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
☐ Other: _____

MILITARY SERVICE

Are you a veteran of the United States armed services? ☐ Yes ☐ No

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Are you a first generation college student? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you an Indiana 21st Century Scholar? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is English your first/native language? ☐ Yes ☐ No Are you bi/multilingual? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you are bi/multilingual, please list the languages in order of fluency.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please provide one copy of your **FAFSA Student Aid Report** for the 2014-2015 academic year. If you have not completed a FAFSA, please visit <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> and complete an application and retrieve your student aid report.

Is/was your family income at any time dependent in whole or in part on public assistance? ☐ Yes ☐ No

How many of your immediate family members are currently enrolled in college?

How many people currently reside in your household? (Indicate: Self, Spouse, Children, Mother, Father, etc.)

Please list the anticipated source(s) of income that you will receive to help pay for tuition, fees, and living expenses during law school.

Estimated amount of Income Source

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III. TEST SCORES & ENROLLMENT PLANS

LSAT SCORES

| Date of LSAT Exam | Score |
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If you have not yet taken the LSAT, please list the dates you are scheduled to take the exam.
You must report LSAT scores to the office before Feb 14, 2014.

LAW SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

You **MUST** apply to and enroll in an Indiana law school to participate in ICLEO. Which Indiana law schools have you applied to or plan to apply to this year?

☐ IU Maurer School of Law

☐ University of Notre Dame Law School

☐ IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law

☐ Valparaiso University Law School

I plan to enroll in law school as a: ☐ Full-Time Student ☐ Part-Time Student

List all other law schools where you have applied or plan to apply to for **Fall 2014**:

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| 1. | 4. |
| 2. | 5. |
| 3. | 6. |

Have you applied for admission to law school before this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list the schools, date of application, and the admission decision.

| Law School | Date Applied | Admission Decision (Admitted, Denied, Waitlisted) |
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IV. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Please list your high school, and all colleges, universities, graduate and professional schools attended (in order of attendance):

| Name of School | | Location (City, State) | Degree/ GPA | Graduation Date (or Expected) |
|--------------------|--|------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| High School | | | | |
| College | | | | |
| College | | | | |
| Graduate School | | | | |
| Graduate School | | | | |

V. ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Please include a **Resume** to complete your fellowship application.

Your resume should include any academic and professional accomplishments you believe are relevant to your application. Also include leadership, volunteer and civic engagement activities.

VI. PERSONAL STATEMENTS & ESSAY

The Indiana CLEO program's principal goal is helping those individuals who want to live, work, and make a difference in the Indiana legal community.

- I. Share with the Indiana CLEO Advisory Committee your commitment to Indiana and why you should be selected for the 2014 Indiana CLEO Summer Institute and Fellowship Program. **Your answer should not exceed 700 words.**
- II. Include a copy of your **Law School Personal Statement** from one of your Indiana law school applications.

VII. CHARACTER AND FITNESS

Please check 'yes' or 'no' for each question. If the answer to any of the following questions is 'yes' you must supplement this application with a full explanation of circumstances for each affirmatively answered question on a separate sheet or form, where indicated. If a form is required, it is included with this application. Please also note that there are character, fitness, and other qualifications for admission to the bar. You are encouraged, prior to making this application and prior to matriculation to law school, to familiarize yourself with the Indiana bar requirements.

- A. Have you ever been disciplined, warned, placed on academic or disciplinary probation, dropped, expelled or requested or advised to resign from any post-secondary school, college, university, professional school, or law school?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on a separate sheet and label it, **"Supplement to Character and Fitness (A)."**

- B. Have you ever been disciplined, suspended, warned, or allowed to resign from any profession?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on a separate sheet and label it, **"Supplement to Character and Fitness (B)."**

- C. Have you ever been convicted of any violations of the law or adjudicated delinquent in a juvenile court including, but not limited to, all juvenile matters, felonies, misdemeanors, infractions, placed on probation, granted deferred adjudication, or any type of pretrial diversion in any jurisdiction (you may exclude parking violations)? If you are unsure about the nature or ultimate disposition of a particular charge, it is your responsibility to check the court records before you respond to this question.

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on the form provided labeled, **"Supplement to Character and Fitness Form (C)."**

- D. In addition to the convictions set forth in "C" above, have you ever been arrested or accused of violations of the law or subject of any investigation of a violation of the law including, but not limited to, all juvenile matters, felonies, misdemeanors, infractions, traffic offenses, and anything else? (Parking violations DO NOT need to be included.)

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on form provided labeled, **"Supplement to Character and Fitness Form (D)"** for each instance.

- E. Are you currently involved in pending litigation, civil (including but not limited to bankruptcy, divorce, guardianship, small claims, landlord/tenant, and personal protective orders) or criminal?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain fully on the form provided labeled **"Supplement to Character and Fitness Form (E)"** for each instance.



**RECOMMENDATION LETTERS
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VIII. RECOMMENDATION LETTERS

Please provide two recommendation letters to complete your fellowship application. You may submit letters from professors, former employers, or other professionals who have personal knowledge of your academic performance and intellectual potential. Alternatively, you may use the letters on file with the LSAC. **If you would like to use LSAC Letters of Recommendation, please skip to Part 2.**

Part 1 - ICLEO Letters of Recommendation

**Provide each of your Recommenders with a copy of Supplement F,
Recommendation Request Cover Sheet.**

Recommender #1

Name

Title

Email Address

Phone Number

Recommender #2

Name

Title

Email Address

Phone Number

Part 2 – LSAC Letters of Recommendation

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Check HERE to use your LSAC Letters of Recommendation (LOR).

From which Indiana law school would you like us to request your LSAC LORs?

- ☐ IU McKinney School of Law
- ☐ IU Maurer School of Law
- ☐ Notre Dame Law School
- ☐ Valparaiso Law School



APPLICATION CERTIFICATION & RELEASE INDIANA CONFERENCE FOR LEGAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

IX. APPLICATION CERTIFICATION & RELEASE OF INFORMATION

I _____(name) have checked this application for errors and omissions. To the best of my knowledge, all of the information is complete and accurate as reported. I fully understand and agree that this application is a continuing application and agree that if any matter contained herein shall be changed by any event or incident, I will immediately notify the Indiana CLEO Advisory Committee of such change.

By signing this application, I hereby allow any organization or entity which has information about my financial status or status as a law school applicant to release to the Indiana CLEO Advisory Committee or its agents any and all information including, but not limited to, LSDAS reports and recommendation letters. I understand that my completed Financial Aid form and entire law school application packages may be released to the Indiana CLEO, Indiana CLEO Advisory Committee, or its agents. Also, if I am selected as an Indiana CLEO Fellow, by signing this release I authorize the Indiana law school that I attend to release my academic records, including all law school grades throughout my law school education and upon graduation to Indiana CLEO staff upon their request.

Applicant Signature

Date